

Please amend Claim 10 as follows:

10. A method for dividing soil, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a frame having a first end and a second end;

attaching an axle to the frame;

providing a cylinder associated with the frame;

connecting the frame to a vehicle;

moving the frame by remotely controlling movement of the cylinder wherein movement of the first end toward the soil pivots the frame with respect to the axis and causes movement of the second end away from the soil; and

pulling the frame over the soil.

Please amend Claim 26 as follows:

26. An apparatus for separating soil, the apparatus comprising:

a frame having a length defined between a first end and a second end;

a cylinder associated with the frame;

a plurality of discs attached to the frame wherein the cylinder moves the frame;

a controller associated with the cylinder wherein the controller is remote from the frame and controls movement of the frame wherein the cylinder raises the first end of the frame and simultaneously lowers the second end;

a pillar associated with the frame;

a column inside the pillar;

a liner between the pillar and the column; and

plates retaining the liner within the pillar.

63 (Please amend Claim 27 as follows:)

27. An apparatus for separating soil, the apparatus comprising:

a frame having a length defined between a first end and a second end;

a plurality of discs attached to the frame wherein a first set of discs are attached to the frame at the first end and a second set of discs are attached to the frame at the second end;

a pillar associated with the frame wherein the pillar has a liner within the pillar;

a column within the pillar wherein the liner is positioned between the column and the pillar; and

a cylinder associated with the frame wherein the cylinder moves the pillar relative to the column and further wherein the cylinder moves the frame wherein movement of the first set of discs toward the soil causes movement of the second set of discs away from the soil.

(Please amend Claim 28 as follows:)

28. An apparatus for separating soil, the apparatus comprising:

a frame;

a plurality of discs attached to the frame;

tires associated with the frame wherein the tires are

positioned between the frame and the soil and wherein the discs are positioned on opposite sides of the tires;

a pillar associated with the frame wherein the pillar has a liner within the pillar; and

B₃ a front cylinder positioned on the frame wherein the front cylinder moves to adjust the frame and discs relative to the soil and wherein the tires remain in contact with the soil independent of a position of the discs.

(Please amend Claim 29 as follows:)

29. An apparatus for separating soil, the apparatus comprising:

a frame;

a plurality of discs attached to the frame;

one or more pillars associated with the frame wherein each of the pillars has a body defined between a first end and a second end and further wherein each of the pillars has a liner within each of the pillars;

plates attached to the first end and the second end of each of the pillars; and

a hitch having a length defined between an end and a connector wherein the end of the hitch is attachable to the frame and wherein the connector rotates 360 degrees.

(Please add Claim 30 as follows:

30. An apparatus for separating soil, the apparatus comprising:

B₄ a frame;

an axle associated with the frame;

a cylinder associated with the frame;

discs attached to the frame wherein the discs are aligned on and attached to the axle between the frame and the soil and further wherein the discs rotate upon contact with the soil;

a controller associated with the cylinder wherein the controller is remote from the frame and controls movement of the frame such that the discs are moved with the frame;

a pillar associated with the frame;

a column inside the pillar; and

plates inside the pillar supporting the column.

By Please add Claim 31 as follows:

31. An apparatus for separating soil, the apparatus comprising:

a frame;

an axle associated with the frame;

a cylinder associated with the frame;

discs attached to the frame wherein the discs are aligned on and attached to the axle between the frame and the soil and further wherein the discs rotate upon contact with the soil;

a controller associated with the cylinder wherein the controller is remote from the frame and controls movement of the frame such that the discs are moved with the frame; and

a hitch having a length defined between an end and a connector wherein the end of the hitch is attachable to the frame wherein the connector rotates 360 degrees.